

COL. C. B. HANSEN

Colonel Chester B. Hansen was born in 1917 in Elizabeth, New Jersey. After graduating from Syracuse University in 1939, he was employed in New York and Albany as a public relations consultant. Drafted in 1941, he was commissioned the following year as a lieutenant of infantry. Assigned as aide to General Omar M. Bradley when the latter commanded a division, Hansen served with the general in Tunisia, Sicily and later through the European campaign. When General Bradley was named Administrator of Veterans Affairs in 1945, Hansen became his special assistant and director of public relations. In 1948 he was assigned as assistant to the Chief of Staff of the Army and the following year as assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In May 1951 Hansen became assistant to the Director of Central Intelligence. He collaborated with General Bradley in publication of "A Soldier's Story."